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# Civil War Weekend Encampment Returns to Sully

“Still holding on to home...” So wrote Maria Barlow, living at Sully during the Civil War years. During 1861 and 1862, both Confederate and Federal troops were seen at Sully. They requisitioned a wagon and team, took livestock, and Maria Barlow sold them hay. Wounded were left at Sully after the Battle of Ox Hill. Hear the roar of artillery, the beat of horse’s hooves and the muffled sounds of infantry on the march as Sully Historic Site hosts its annual Civil War Weekend Encampment on Saturday, August 18 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m., and on Sunday, August 19 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.

Skirmishes both days will include cavalry and artillery. Visit the surgeon’s tent and learn about medical practices of the time period. Costumed interpreters demonstrate the work of the army, including drill practice and rifle firing - fall in as a recruit and learn marching maneuvers.

Civilian reenactors recreate the daily experiences of Northern Virginia residents during the early years of the Civil War. Play historic games and enjoy music on the lawn performed by local duo, Evergreen Shade. On Saturday, see a parade of 19<sup>th</sup> century ladies’ fancy dresses at the fashion show.

Admission is \$6 for adults, \$4 for seniors and children. Included in this program is a guided tour of the first and second floors of the 1794 home of Richard Bland Lee, Northern Virginia’s first congressman and uncle of Robert E. Lee. In the east wing see an extraordinary exhibit of Victorian mourning artifacts and hear about home medical treatments. Also on view in the house will be seldom seen 19th century rarities from the Fairfax County collections. The last house tour begins at 4pm.

Sully Historic Site is located at 3601 Sully Road in Chantilly. Located on Route 28, ¼ miles north of Route 50, five miles north of Route 66 or five miles south of the Dulles Toll Road. For more information, call 703-437-1794.

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